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For: **METHODS AND MATERIALS
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2-MACROGLOBULIN-LIKE
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111 TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED DECEMBER 22, 2003**

Dear Examiner Allen:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003. Please consider this paper under 37 U.S.C. § 1.111. It is believed that no fees are required.

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks submitted under the Revised Amendment format 37 C.F.R. §1.121:

- (1) Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper;
- (2) Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper; and
- (3) Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.